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## **Convicted Sex Offender Pleads to Child Annoyance**

A former attorney and convicted sex offender entered a no contest plea today to child annoyance, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Emily Cole said Yale Yurman, 71, pleaded no contest to one count of annoying a child under the age of 18 with a prior sex crime conviction.

He is expected to be sentenced to 12 years in state prison on Aug. 20 in Department J of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, San Fernando Branch.

On June 18, 2013, Yurman was caught following girls as young as 6 years old at a chain retail store and then taking pictures of their back sides and legs, the prosecutor said.

Yurman was convicted in 1987 of seven counts of forcible lewd act upon a child under 14, and five counts of forcible oral copulation. In that case, he would pose as a doctor checking the water for bacteria to gain entry into the homes of the victims.

The current case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Santa Clarita Station.

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## **About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office**

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.